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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

PLANNING SECRETARIAT

Government guarantee and interest subsidy for the repayment of loans given by Commercial Banks to the Karnataka Electricity Board under the ARDC Scheme for the Minor Irrigation Programme-Issues order—

READ —

Letter No. DM/AGRI/ARDC/95/247 dated 12th May 1978 from the Development Manager (Agri.) State Bank of Mysore.

PREAMBLE :

During the Annual Plan 1978-79, Government have set a target of 25,000 irrigation wells for energisation. However, experience of earlier years suggests that it is very unlikely that such a target will be realised. An important constraint to the expansion of energisation facilities has been the inadequate flow of finance, particularly from the Commercial Banks, for the minor irrigation programme.

The Agricultural Refinance and Development Corporation has ranctioned refinance facilities for the minor irrigation programme which operates at present within the co-operative sector in Karnataka, but not within the commercial banking sector. In order that pumpsets financed by the State Land Development Bank are energised under the ARDC Refinance Scheme, the State Land Development Bank extends loans to the Karnataka Electricity Board of Rs. 4,500 for each 5 H. P. pumpset energised. The Karnataka Electricity Board insists on such a loan in order to draw 11 K. V. low tension lines to transmit the power to the fields where the pumps have to be energised. The State Land Development Bank charges 10½% interest. As the Karnataka Electricity Board is unable to pay such a high rate of interest, Government are subsidising the K.E.B. to an extent of 4%.

The ARDC and the commercial banks have now sought an extension of the scheme along the same lines as operating with the State Land Development Bank If such an extension is made to the commercial banking sector, the programme of dynamically stepping up minor irrigation facilities in the State would be considerably enhanced. Further, one of the conditions of the ARDC for extending refinance facilities for such a minor irrigation programme is a Government guarantee for the loans advanced to the Karnataka Electricity Board for priority energisation. Further, if there is to be parity between the rate of interest paid by K.E.B. on loans advanced by the SLDB and the rate of interest paid by the K.E.B. on loans advanced by the commercial banks, is becomes necessary for Government to subsidise the K.E.B. to an extent of 4% on the rate of interest paid by them on loans advanced by commercial banks for priority energisation. It is felt desirable and advantageous to do so in the interest of accelerating agricultural development.

ORDER No. PD 129 PIF 78, BANGALORE, DATED THE 5TH JANUARY 1979

In the circumstances stated above, the Government of Karnataka are pleased to extend Government guarantee for loans advanced to the Karnataka Electricity Board by commercial banks (under the existing ARDC Refinance Programmes) for energisation of pumpsets on a priority basis, as well as for subsidising the rate of interest to be paid by the Karnataka Electricity Board to the commercial banks on such loans, to an extent of 4%.

The expenditure in this behalf may be debited to the budget-head "306 Minor Irrigation-8 Other Expenditure-III Payment of Interest Subsidy to the Karnataka Electricity Board (Plan)" during 1978-79

This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department *vide* their U.O. Note No. Fin., Commr. 0485 dated 12th October 1978.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

B. L. VEDA MURTHY,
Under Secretary to Government,
Planning Department (P & FUs-I)

Counsultative Committee for Planning Department Constitution :—

READ :—

(1) Government Order No. LAW 64 LGR 78 dated 6th July. 1978.
(2) D. O. letter No. LAW 133 LGR 78 dated 30th September, 1978 from the Deputy Secretary to Government, Department of LAW and Parliamantary affairs, K. G. S., Bangalore.

PREAMBLE :—

In the Government Order cited at (1) above, it has been directed among other things that a consultative committee be constituted for Planning Department consisting of seven Members of Legislative Assembly and two Members of Legislative Council, the meetings of the committee being chaired by the Cabinet Minister concerned. In the D. O. Letter cited at (2) above, it has been directed to constitute the Committee for Planning Department with the members noted in the list enclosed to that letter.

Order No. RD 117 PMM 78, BANGALORE, DATED 4TH JANUARY 1979.

Sanction is accorded for the constitution of a Consultative Committee for Planning Department consisting of the following.

1	Chief Minister	...	Chairman
2.	Shri M. V. Rajashekaran, M. L. A., No. 19, Kanakapura Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore.	...	Member
3.	Shri A. Lakshmisagar, M. L A., No. 130, 6th Cross, Gandhinalar, Bangalore-560009.	...	do
4.	Shri Andanaiah, M. L. A., Municipal Quarters, B. M. Road, Kunigal.		do
5.	Shri H. T, Krishnappa, M. L. A., No. 233, T. B. Extension Nagamangala, Mandya District		do
6.	Shri K. B Shivaiah, M. L. A., Kagalwadi, Chamarajanagar Taluk, Mysore District.		do
7.	Shri S. Muniraju, M. L. A. Old Post Office Road Chickballapur, Kolar District		do
8.	Shri M. M. Malagi, M. L. A., Harijan Oni, Byadgi, Dharwar District.		do
9.	Shri H. Srikantaiah, M. L. C., Vyasamandir. No. 47, Sreerama Mandi Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalare-560004		do
10	Shri Abdul Nazeer Sab, M L. C. Ex. Municipal President, Gundlupet, Mysore District	...	do

1. The Committee will normally meet when the Legislature is in sessions. If the Committee meets during the intersession period, the members will be entitled to Travelling Allowance and daily Allowance at the rates applicable for attending the meetings of the Committees of the Legislature.

2. The members of the Committee may discuss matters which are appropriately discussed in the Legislature. It would not, however, be desirable to refer on the floor of the house to matters which have been discussed in the meetings of the Consultative Committee.

3. Government will generally accept the unanimous suggestions of the Committee except when it involves (i) financial implications; (ii) Security of the State; and (iii) Matters relating to autonomous bodies.

4 If the suggestions are not accepted reasons therefor will be given to the Committees.

5. The Committee will not have the right to summon any witness, to send for or demand the production of any files or to examine any official records. The Chairman of the Committee may, however, furnish any information required by the Members.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

B. L. VEDA MURTHY,
Under Secretary to Government,
Planning Department (P & FUs-I)